

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present U.S. Patent application. Claims 1-8, 10-18, 21-26 and 28-33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102. No claims have been amended, canceled or added. Therefore, claims 1-8, 10-18, 21-26 and 28-33 remain pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102Rejections of Claims 1-8, 10-18, 21-26 and 28-33 Based on *Reichlen*

Claims 1-8, 10-18, 21-26 and 28-33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,396,497 issued to Reichlen (*Reichlen*). For at least the reasons set forth below, Applicant submits that claims 1-8, 10-18, 21-26 and 28-33 are not anticipated by *Reichlen*.

Claim 1 recites the following:

a motion control agent, to determine whether an operating system or an application has operational control of a display of the computing device, generate, in response to motion indications received from the motion detection sensor(s), first control signals to modify an operating state of the computing device, if the operating system has operational control of the display, and generate, in response to the motion indications, second control signals to modify displayed content of the computing device, if the application has operational control of the display.

Claim 18 is drawn to a storage medium comprising a plurality of machine-executable instructions, and recites similar limitations. Claim 26 is a method claim, and recites similar limitations. Claim 33 is drawn to a storage medium comprising a plurality of executable instructions that implement the method of claim 26.

Reichlen discloses a computer interface that receives user input through head movements. See col. 2, lines 38-40. A video display system includes a head-mounted display (HMD), a virtual view space, and a position sensor housed in a computer. See

col. 5, lines 33-60. When a user wearing the HMD looks at a discrete point in the virtual view space, the position sensor generates head rotation and vertical movement information. See col. 6, lines 15-24. The computer uses this information to generate an image corresponding to the point at which the user is looking, and the image is displayed in the virtual view space. See col. 6, lines 29-48; col. 7, lines 1-6.

Examiner contends that a central processing unit (CPU) in the computer in *Reichlen* corresponds to a motion control agent that determines whether an operating system or an application has operational control of a display of a computing device, as recited in claims 1, 18 and 26. See Office Action, page 2, lines 12-14. However, the main responsibility of the CPU in *Reichlen* is to provide information to be displayed in the virtual view space. See col. 7, lines 41-46.

For instance, if the CPU is running a program such as a word processing program, a calendar management program or a computer-aided drawing program, the CPU merely supplies information generated by the program, and an image corresponding to that information is displayed in the virtual view space based on where a user happens to be looking. See col. 8, lines 12-23. The CPU does not determine that a program is running and, based on that determination, supply the information to be displayed. *Reichlen* does not disclose a motion control agent to determine whether an operating system or an application has operational control of a display of a computing device. Consequently, *Reichlen* fails to teach at least one limitation of claims 1, 18, 26 and 33, and thus claims 1, 18, 26 and 33 are not anticipated by *Reichlen* for at least the reasons set forth above. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 1, 18, 26 and 33 under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

Claims 2-8 and 10-17 depend from claim 1. Claims 21-26 depend from claim 18. Claims 28-32 depend from claim 26. Because dependent claims include the limitations of the claims from which they depend, Applicant submits that claims 2-8, 10-17, 21-26 and 28-32 are not anticipated by *Reichlen* for at least the reasons set forth above.

CONCLUSION


For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that the rejections have been overcome. Therefore, claims 1-8, 10-18, 21-26 and 28-33 are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if such contact would further the examination of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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